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SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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REHABILITATION PROGRAMMES FOR DISABLED LEPROSY AFFECTED AGED PERSONS AND MANUAL SCAVENGERS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched a Rehabilitation Programme for disabled,leprosy affected, aged persons and manual scavengers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount of funds allocated by the Government for the said Rehabilitation Programme State-wise and scheme-wise;

(d) the expenditure incurred on the said rehabilitation programme upto December, 2007 State-wise and scheme-wise;

(e) the total amount of funds likely to be allocated for the aforesaid rehabilitation programme during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(f) whether the Government is aware that handicapped persons are facing difficulties in obtaining certificates and pensions; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT(SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) & (b) : The Ministry is implementing following rehabilitation programmes for disabled, leprosy cured, aged persons and manual scavengers :

(i) Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS)

(ii) Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids/Appliances (ADIP)

(iii) Integrated Programme for Older Persons

(iv) Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS)
Leprosy affected persons are not covered under any of the above schemes.

(c) & (d): Under the schemes,funds are not allocated State-wise.However,details of funds released upto December,2007 under the schemes is given in Annexure- I.

(e): The total funds allocated during the Eleventh Five Year Plan under the schemes is given in Annexure-II.

(f) & (g): Yes Sir.A Committee has been constituted for revising the procedure of issuing disability certificates. The pensions are provided by most of the States/UTs.